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SUBJ: PARM-ANNUAL POLICY AND RESOURCE ASSESSMENT FOR PNG-
PARTS II AND III

REF: PORT MORESBY 0412, STATE 038356, STATE 047671, CERP 0001

PART II. RESOURCE ASSESSMENTS

A. STATE

MANY OF THE PROPOSED COURSES OF ACTION IN PART I MUST BE
PURSUED BY INDIVIDUALS AND OFFICES NOT IN PORT MORESBY.
IMPLEMENTATION OF THE PROPOSED PROGRAM WILL REQUIRE THE
ASSIGNMENT OF NEW RESPONSIBILITIES AND THE CREATION OF NEW
SLOTS IN WASHINGTON AND IN US PACIFIC TERRITORIES. THE TIME
AND ATTENTION DEVOTED BY THE STATE DEPT TO THE SMALLER
ISLAND COUNTRIES IS MINISCULE BECAUSE OF THE PRESSURES OF
OTHER RESPONSIBILITIES. THE STATE DEPT APPEARS TO HAVE
NO RESPONSIBILITY FOR AND NO REPRESENTATION IN GUAM,
AMERICAN SAMOA AND HAWAII (EXCEPT FOR THE RECEPTION CENTER).

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NO ONE IN WASHINGTON APPEARS TO HAVE RESPONSIBILITY FOR
PACIFIC BASIN AFFAIRS. THESE DEFICIENCIES WILL HAVE TO BE
CORRECTED IF THE COURSES OF ACTION IN PART I ARE TO BE CARRIED
OUT.

INSOFAR AS THIS EMBASSY IS CONCERNED, OUR POLITICAL
RESOURCES ARE USED TO CONVEY OUR VIEWS AND ENCOURAGE THE

GPNG IN CERTAIN DIRECTIONS AS INDICATED IN PART II AND TO KEEP IN TOUCH WITH OTHER MISSIONS TO SHARE OUR VIEWS AND OBTAIN THEIRS. WE ARE PROVIDING INFORMAL SUPPORT AND ASSISTANCE TO VOLAGS, FOUNDATIONS AND ACADEMIC INSTITUTIONS WHICH ARE NOW AIDING OR MAY IN THE FUTURE AID PNG AND THE SOLOMONS IN VARIOUS WAYS. COMMERCIAL RESOURCES ARE UTILIZED TO MAKE INFORMATION AVAILABLE TO LOCAL AND US BUYERS AND SELLERS AND POTENTIAL INVESTORS. WE ARE EMPHASIZING POLITICAL AND COMMERCIAL WORK AT THE EXPENSE OF ECONOMIC, CONSULAR AND ADMINISTRATIVE FUNCTIONS. THE ONE E/C OFFICER SPENDS 60 PERCENT OF HIS TIME ON COMMERCIAL WORK, AND HIS LOCAL ASSISTANT SPENDS 80 PERCENT OF HER TIME IN THIS FIELD. ADMINISTRATIVE AND CONSULAR FUNCTIONS ARE THE COMBINED RESPONSIBILITY OF ONE OFFICER, A SITUATION WHICH PLACES A HEAVY WORKLOAD ON THAT OFFICER.

B. OTHER AGENCY PROGRAMS AND RESOURCE LEVELS

PUBLIC AFFAIRS PROGRAMS ARE AN IMPORTANT PART OF THIS MISSION OVER-ALL RELATIONSHIP WITH GPNG LEADERS. USIS CAN REALISTICALLY PLAN AND IMPLEMENT PROGRAMS AIMED AT MANY OF THE MAJOR BILATERAL AND MULTILATERAL ISSUES FACING OUR MISSION SINCE PNG OPINION LEADERS ARE CONCENTRATED, AVAILABLE AND EAGER FOR INFORMATION ABOUT THE UNITED STATES.

DURING THE PAST SIX MONTHS, WE HAVE BUILT AN IMPRESSIVE NEW FACILITY BEHIND THE CHANCERY SUITABLE FOR EDUCATIONAL AND CULTURAL PROGRAMS. USIA SHOULD CONSIDER ASSIGNING A JOT TO ASSIST THE PAO TO FULLY DEVELOP USE OF THIS NEW
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FACILITY AND TO ADMINISTER THE WIDENING RANGE OF OUR CULTURAL EXCHANGE PROGRAMS.

PART III. STATE PERSONNEL RECOMMENDATIONS

A. WITH ONLY SEVEN AMERICAN SLOTS, I SEE NO OPPORTUNITY FOR REPROGRAMING TO GIVE HIGHER PRIORITY TO POLITICAL AND COMMERCIAL OBJECTIVES.

B. WE NEED AN ADDITIONAL FSO-6 SLOT TO PERMIT REPROGRAMING TO PROVIDE GREATER STRENGTH IN THE EXECUTIVE SECTION AND IN THE HARD-PRESSED ADMINISTRATIVE/CONSULAR SECTION. THE PRESENT O-3 POLITICAL SLOT WOULD BE CONVERTED INTO A DCM SLOT, ALSO O-3, AND THE INCUMBENT WOULD IN FACT BE OUR PACIFIC ISLANDS AFFAIRS OFFICER. HE WOULD BE RESPONSIBLE FOR COORDINATION OF USG ACTIVITIES IN PNG WITH USG ACTIVITIES IN OTHER PARTS OF THE PACIFIC. FURTHER, NOW THAT WE HAVE TWO AGENCIES IN PORT MORESBY PLUS A THIRD IN THE SOLOMON ISLANDS, A DCM IS NEEDED TO PERFORM THE USUAL COORDINATING

FUNCTION BETWEEN AGENCIES. HE WOULD DO PART OF THE POLITICAL WORK AND WOULD ALSO ASSIST WITH THE MORE SENIOR COMMERCIAL ACTIVITIES, RECEIVING SENIOR AMERICAN BUSINESSMEN AND BANKERS, ETC. PART OF THE POLITICAL WORK WOULD BE DONE BY THE NEW O-6 WHO WOULD BE ASSIGNED PARTICULAR RESPONSIBILITY FOR REPORTING ON THE SOLOMON ISLANDS. HE WOULD ALSO DO THE CONSULAR WORK, THUS RELIEVING THE HARD-PRESSED ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER OF THAT RESPONSIBILITY. WE ARE UNABLE TO TAKE OVER THE RESPONSIBILITY FOR ISSUING IVS AS RECOMMENDED BY THE INSPECTORS 18 MONTHS AGO BECAUSE OF THE EXISTING WORKLOAD. THE RESPONSIBILITIES RESULTING FROM 2500 RESIDENT AMERICANS AND FROM AMERICAN TOURISTS ARRIVING BY PRIVATE YACHT ARE ALSO INCREASING. THE WORKLOAD OF THIS POST HAS EXPANDED STEADILY SINCE IT WAS ESTABLISHED IN JUNE 1974, AND WE SEE NO INDICATION THAT WE HAVE REACHED A PLATEAU.

WE ALSO NEED AN ADDITIONAL E/C LOCAL TO HELP SUPPORT THE
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GROWING COMMERCIAL FUNCTION, AND ONE GENERAL SERVICES LOCAL TO REPLACE THE ONE PIT POSITION WHICH HAS ALREADY BEEN AUTHORIZED.

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